

sand-pit, with a game of "making a new road".

Dexter voluntarily put his superior reading and writing at their service, and wrote a notice, " This road is up for repairs/' and fastened it up where they were playing,

6.5.26. The " road-making " went on again to-day, and Dexter wrote another notice, " This road is up. Cambridge/'

and asked Mrs. I. to pin it up near the " repairs ". The others were pleased to have the notice but did not invite him to join their game to-day.

11.5.26. The children were writing and posting letters to their parents. Dan wrote, " Dear Daddy, I love you up to 16." Then he said, " I want to put * *beautiful* Daddy' "—very expressively and emphatically,; and this was spelt for him.

Dexter again wrote a notice for the play of the other children, a " nursing home " play—" Nursing Home, Cambridge/'

12.5.26. Dan told Dexter, very apologetically, that he had accidentally dropped Dexter's spade down a hole in the floor of the summer-house. He said, "I'm very sorry, and we're trying to get it up/' Dan enlarged the hole with his hammer, until Mrs. I. could put her arm down and get the spade up. He then helped to mend the hole with new wood.

19.5.26. Phineas had turned all the cardboard letters out of the boxes on to the rug, and came to help Mrs. I. sort them out. He remarked on those which he recognised, with great eagerness, saying, " Nice letters, aren't they ? Nice W. I want more W's, more S's," and so on. He kept giving Mrs. I. one or two of each kind, " You can have those, can't you ? " and continued patiently until the three boxes were sorted out and put away.

Alfred and Herbert stayed to lunch, and the other children played host to them very charmingly. Dan got out various things for them in the afternoon, and sat down beside Alfred. " I do love Alfred. I love him best in the school."

2.6.26. Dexter has several times refused to lend things to Jessica, saying, " I don't like her/' To-day he made " pictures " for her, and took them downstairs to give to her.

Then he made other pictures for Priscilla,
Christopher and
Dan, taking them to each in turn. Phineas and
Herbert were
using the insets, and they brought some to
Mrs. I., saying,
" You can have these, can't you ? "

4.6.26. When Priscilla shut Dan up as a "
puppy " and
he began to cry with boredom, Alfred said to him,
" Don't cry,
Dan—I'll be your nurse/" and Priscilla agreed to
this.

10.6.26. There was an argument between
Christopher and
Dan as to whether Christopher could take the
tricycle outside
and ride it. Dan said, " You must *not*/" and
Christopher